

INDEPENDENT FORCE INVESTIGATION TEAM – KING COUNTY FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Torguson Park Officer-Involved Shooting

This update of information is regarding the November 17, 2021, officer-involved shooting (OIS) that took place at Torguson Park, 750 E North Bend Way, North Bend. The Snoqualmie/North Bend Police Department was the involved agency.

The Independent Force Investigation Team – King County (IFIT-KC) is serving as the independent investigative team for this OIS. IFIT-KC is a multi-agency team made up of investigators from 13 King County Police Departments. As this incident involved the Snoqualmie/North Bend Police Department, Snoqualmie/North Bend Police Department staff have been excluded from this IFIT-KC investigation.

Since the last release, investigators have identified and conducted a productive interview an eyewitness to the incident.

Effective November 17, 2021, Meeghan Black will serve as the PIO for this IFIT-KC investigation.

The IFIT - KC team is in contact with the family of the subject involved in this incident and will be keeping them informed of the progress of the investigation.

Public notifications will be released weekly until the conclusion of the investigation. Media Inquiries regarding the Independent Investigation should be directed to Meeghan Black, Public Information Officer with the Bellevue Police Department. (425) 452-4129 or at mblack@bellevuewa.gov.

Per Chapter 139-12 WAC, please note that information regarding any officer-involved shooting cannot be released by an independent investigation team without first notifying the non-law enforcement community representative assigned to the investigation and the family liaison of the involved subject. IFIT -KC will endeavor to incorporate questions received from the media into subsequent press releases.

{A list of the IFIT-KC investigators and agencies for this incident is available upon request.}